

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants	:	Shi et al.	)	Examiner:
			)	David C. Thomas
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL  
AND  
REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's decision dated November 14, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-15 and 17-22.

Submitted herewith via EFS-Web is the \$250.00 fee for the Notice of Appeal.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time of three months from the due date of February 14, 2007. Submitted herewith via EFS-Web is the \$510.00 fee for the three-month extension of time.

Please charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1138.

Respectfully submitted,

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